

Formula for Success

Key Ingredients for High-Quality Education in Rhode Island

Strong Foundation

Third Grade Reading Challenge

Expert Instruction

High-Quality Curriculum



School Culture

Shared Leadership

Fighting Chronic Absence

School Facilities



Career Pathways

Advanced Coursework

Computer Science (CS4RI)

Career Education



Diploma Plus

Seal of Biliteracy

Early College Credit

Pathway Endorsements



Economic Impact

RI Promise

College Completion

High-Wage, High-Growth Jobs



Prepared students with the opportunities and skills to be successful in a 21st century economy

Strong Foundation

Where We Are:

- Full-day kindergarten statewide
- Expanded state-funded pre-K into 60 classrooms
- Children's Cabinet reconvened
- Comprehensive 3rd Grade Reading Action Plan
- 90 "Learning Champion" teachers working to define student-centered learning

Where We're Going:

- Creation of a Teaching and Learning Hub to provide equitable access to best practices and high-quality curriculum
- Development of Professional Learning Standards

What We're Measuring

2025 and beyond:

- 75% of students reading proficiently by third grade
- Opportunity gaps closed by half
- 75% of eighth graders are proficient in STEM

School Culture

Where We Are:

- Fostering a system of shared responsibility
- LeadRI Partnership provides leadership development to educators
- Created social and emotional learning (SEL) standards
- Establishing strong SEL supports, as measured by SurveyWorks

Where We're Going:

- Inclusion of teacher and student absence in school accountability under ESSA
- Diversify workforce
- Task Force to define once-in-a-generation investment into school facilities

What We're Measuring

2025 and beyond:

- 100% of school buildings are warm, safe, and dry
- Significant increase in diversity of educators

Career Pathways

Where We Are:

- Launch of the Advanced Course Network
- 38% increase in AP participation from '13-'17
- Every public school in RI participating and engaged in CS4RI initiative
- \$2 million New Skills for Youth Grant to support PrepareRI career education
 - 150+ CTE and five P-TECH programs

Where We're Going:

- Expansion of ACN options to include more colleges and universities
- Expansion of CS4RI
- Infusion of career education throughout K-12 system so all students explore careers

What We're Measuring

2025 and beyond:

- 20% of students score at the highest proficiency level
- 100% of graduates earn postsecondary credentials

Diploma Plus

Where We Are:

- Commissioner's Seal and Seal of Biliteracy to recognize achievement
- 150% increase in dual & concurrent enrollment since 2015
- Diploma pathway endorsements for students to demonstrate learning aligned to careers

Where We're Going:

- Expansion of pathway endorsements, aligning to growth industries of the future

What We're Measuring

2025 and beyond:

- 75% of students earn the Commissioner's Seal

Economic Impact

Where We Are:

- RI Promise last-dollar scholarship to CCRI
- Making college more affordable with credit-bearing courses
- Free access to the PSAT and SAT

Where We're Going:

- Inclusion of PSAT/SAT in new statewide accountability system
- Continued collaboration with Governor's Workforce Board to strengthen industry partnerships

What We're Measuring

2025 and beyond:

- 95% of students graduate in four, five, or six years
- 100% of graduates are enrolled in college or in a high-demand career 18 months post-graduation

RIDE's theory of action. By giving students a strong foundation, a supportive school culture, access to rigorous opportunities, and exposure to college and career, they will be successful and have a positive impact on Rhode Island's economy.